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For:

MOTOR-OPERATED POWER STEERING

Examiner: M. D. Luby

**DEVICE** 

## INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT (IDS)

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Dear Sir:

Applicant thanks the Examiner for the courtesies extended in the telephonic interview of February 14, 2006. Applicant submits herewith a list of references on the attached PTO/SB/08 to clarify the references listed in the IDS previously filed on May 25, 2005. Applicant notes that in the previously filed IDS, references BC and BD were incorrectly listed under the heading Foreign Patent Documents. Additionally, reference BD was incorrectly labeled 'JP-138382' and incorrectly dated 4-19-1917. These references have been corrected and are labeled under the heading Non Patent Literature Documents, noted at CA and CB.

Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, the attention of the Patent and Trademark Office is hereby directed to the references listed on the attached PTO/SB/08. It is respectfully requested that the information be expressly considered during the prosecution of this Application No.: 10/751,037 Docket No.: 10122/005002

application, and that the references be made of record therein and appear among the "References Cited" on any patent to issue therefrom.

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A summary/abstract translation of the non-English language references is enclosed.

A copy of only those references listed below is attached:

| Foreign Doc No.             | Ctr | Patentee/Applicant | Publication     |
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| WO 2004/026665 A1           | PC  | NSK Ltd.           | April 1, 2004   |
| GB 2 198 098 A              | GB  | Honda Giken Kogyo  | June 8, 1988    |
| 1-145670                    | JP  |                    | October 6, 1989 |
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| 62-118783                   | JP  |                    | July 28, 1987   |
| 10-335218                   | JP  | Office Action      | April 12, 2005  |
| 10-335218 (English version) | JP  | Office Action      | April 12, 2005  |

Further, Applicant(s) have become aware of the following documents, cited in Japanese Office Action issued April 12, 2005 (English translation attached), during the prosecution of international application No. 10-335218, which corresponds to the above referenced application, and in accordance with 37 CFR 1.97(c) and (e)(1) or (b)(3), hereby submit(s) these documents for the Examiner's consideration. These documents are cited on the

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It is submitted that the Information Disclosure Statement is in compliance with 37

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